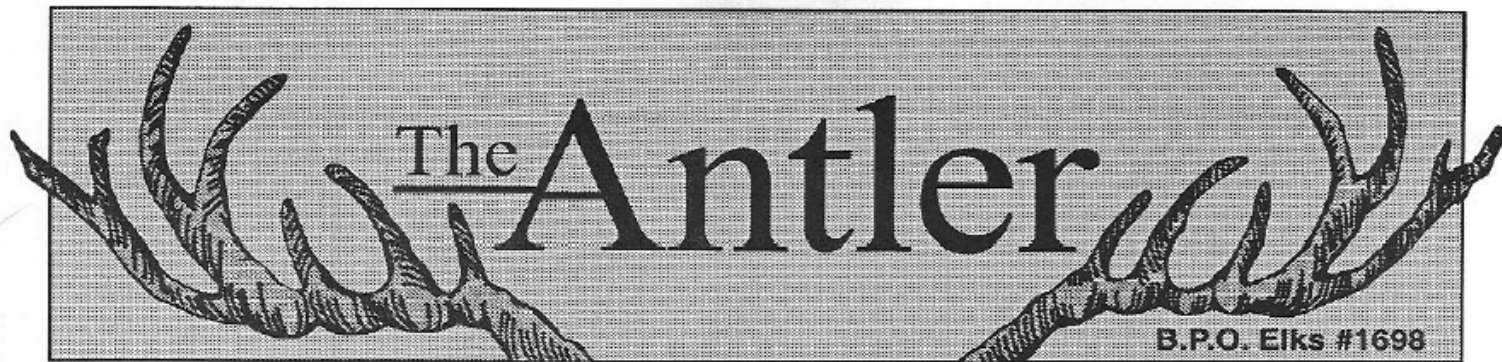




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EXALTED RULER'S MESSAGE



First, I would like to thank the Officers of the Point Pleasant Lodge #1698 for an admirable Mother's Day Ritual Service. The service was very well attended and was enjoyed by all. And, I would like to thank Georgianna Walsh and her kitchen crew for providing the delicious brunch after the Mother's Day Ritual. Nice job as always, Georgianna!

I was very lucky this past month to partake in a bus trip to Camp Moore for an afternoon bar-be-cue. As this was my first trip to Camp Moore, I must say I was amazed at what I experienced. To anyone who has never been there, I would encourage you to go. And to those who have been there, you understand what I mean. Our Grand Exalted Ruler has said, "The good we do makes Elks special people." Elks Camp Moore is a testament to that statement.

And now, as I have been assuming the different responsibilities as Exalted Ruler, the many duties brings along many challenges. Among them are delinquent membership dues. We have a little over 740 members and sadly close to 170 still owe their dues. We need to focus on our membership. Membership is the life-blood of this organization. The membership dues are what help us to help others. If you have sponsored a member who is delinquent, please call them and encourage them to pay their dues. Tell them we miss seeing them around the Lodge. Sad to say, but we do a great job of recruiting new members but have trouble keeping them. Let me say this to all members, you are a very valuable asset to the Lodge and the Lodge needs you. It needs your help to continue the many good works within the community and also nationwide. You make a difference in the community and your membership in our Lodge plays a significant role in the solutions to problems within our community. The membership dues helps the young (who are lost) to stay away from drugs and to find their way through our Drug Awareness and Youth Programs; it helps put a smile on the faces of our special needs children through our Special

Needs Committee; it helps send our children to college through our Scholarship Committee; it helps our military through our Veterans Committee and much, much more. None of these programs would exist without the aid of our membership.

Members, every one of you.....you make a difference in the lives of others. Please don't ever forget.....#1 You are a valuable asset; #2 You make a difference and #3 The Lodge needs you. To all the members who have paid their dues, I thank you for the support which enables us to continue our good deeds, and, to all whom have not, I would request that you please reconsider and pay your dues. And come back to the Lodge. We miss you very much.

Fraternally,
Dawn Tortoriello



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House Committee News

The ramp on the side of the building is complete. Thanks to all who helped.

Mother's Day was a big success. We had about 50 people attend the Mother's Day Ritual and the Brunch prepared downstairs by Georgianna's crew was delicious. Thanks to all who helped.

Our Mother's Day Cake Sale went well. Thanks to Carolyn Watters and Janice Knorr for all their help.

Looking for crews for Friday Night Dinner. At this time, we are back to doing our own dinners until we can find a suitable alternative. Please contact Bob Scott at 732-552-6169.

Dino Castronova will be doing Sunday Pasta dinners. More information to follow.

Coming in August...it's back again...Wing Nite! Wings, Clams, Mussels, & Drink Specials from 1 pm to 8 pm. Date will be announced in July Antler. Come on out and have some fun!

Still checking on pricing for the fence.





**Mark you calendars as your Lodge will need your help for this event.
More information will be in the July Antler.**

Elk of the Month

By Dawn Tortoriello

Hugh Hild

Our Elk of the Month is: Hugh Hild

Hugh has been a member of our Lodge for the past 2 years. However, for many years he has always helped volunteer at the Fluke Tournament and Oktoberfest. Even before he was a member, Hugh was helping fix things around the Lodge. Most recently, he put in a lot of hours tearing down the ramp and building the new one. When the kitchen staff was let go, Hugh helped clean the kitchen, and assisted with cooking the Friday Night Dinner. He has a very good mechanical background and has said that whenever we need him, just give him a call and he'll be there.

Thank you, Hugh. It is nice to know we can depend on you whenever we need you.

What a good addition to our Lodge! Good work, Hugh, our June Elk of the Month!



Organ & Tissue Donation Program



The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the USA has joined forces with Donate Life America to increase donations of organs, eyes, and life-saving tissue.

The need is paramount. More than 110,000 patients were waiting for organ transplants as of March 2011, according to the Donate Life America website, www.donatelife.net. Only 28,663 organ transplants had been performed in 2010, and even fewer—14,502 organ donations had been made in that year.

We Elks Members can help close the gap! For more information on the importance of donation and how to become a registered donor in your state, go to the **Donate Life** website. This is a great way to show that “*Elks Give from the Heart.*”

Bon Voyage Party, April 22, 2012

By Rosemary Tassie, Cruise Chairperson

To Exalted Ruler, Dawn Tortoriello, to Bob Scott, who helped me decorate; my Committee: Regina McCabe and Bernice Engel; to Shirley Brucker, Lorraine Gabriel, Holly Ribertone, and Gale Santucci; to our Chef Jeff for the great food; to our pianist, Drew, for the wonderful music; to our Point Pleasant Beach High School Students, Caitlin Sherbo and Kaiti Lin Stone, for making up the name tags and cleaning off the tables; to Travelsmith's Jill and Freddie, our Cruise Directors; and the Ocean Star for their nice article in the paper; to all the cruisers who showed up to honor our military family, Bryan and Donna Palmer. Thank you all for making our party a big success! God Bless You!

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If you are married, it also means you will have someone to share the responsibility of caring for a spouse who may become in need of assistance — anything from transportation to the doctor's office all the way to full care in our "Special Care" section.

So come to the Elks National Home where you can enjoy life and living to the fullest with the assurance that help is always at hand when and if you need it.

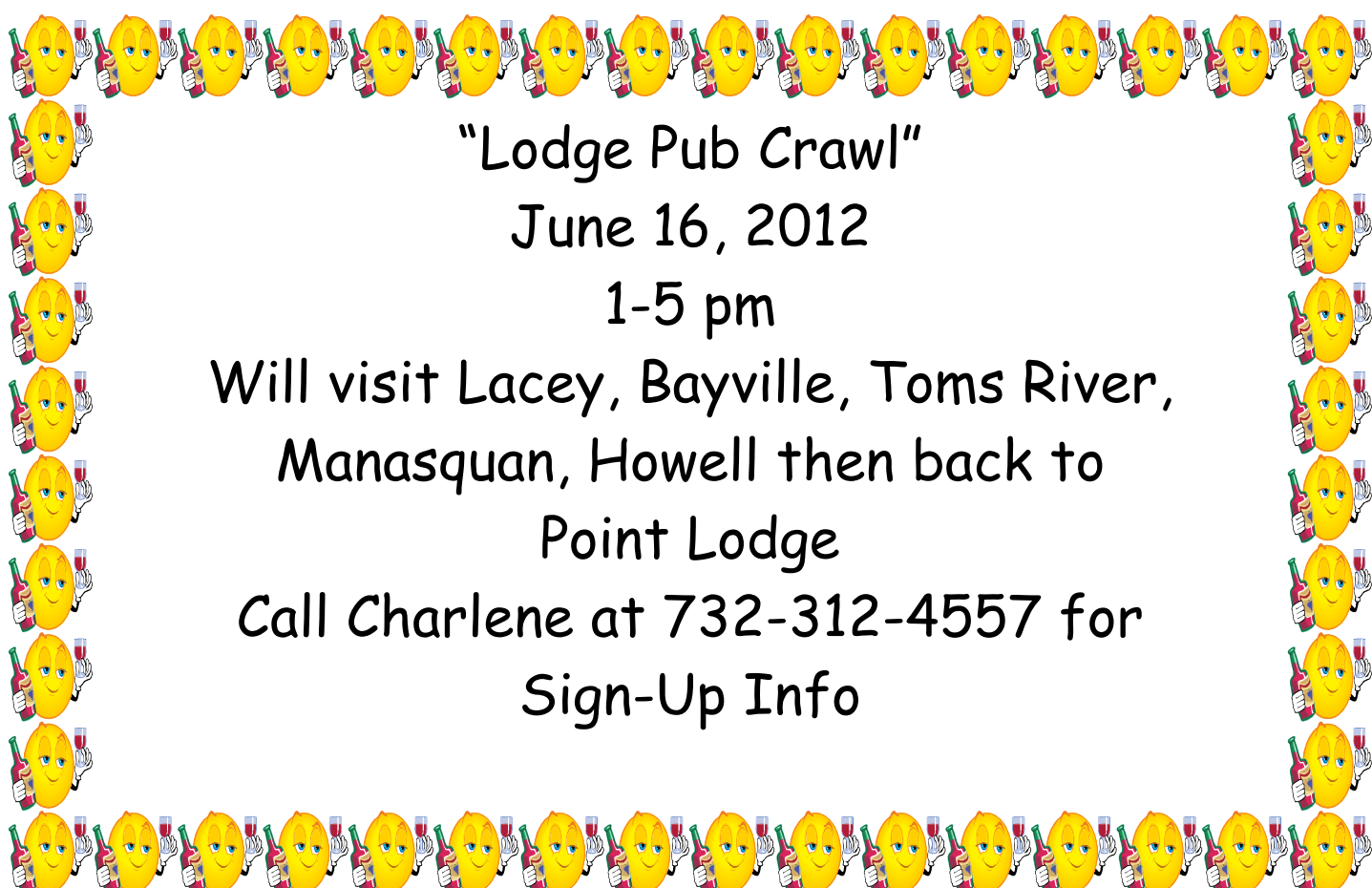
For detailed information go to **www.elkshome.org**, email **en-home@elkshome.org** or call **1-800-552-4140**. You can also write to the Elks National Home, 931 Ashland Avenue, Bedford, VA 24523.



Save the Date

**Casino Night
Saturday, August 11, 2012
7-11 p.m.**

**Phyllis Willever is looking for donations.
Please contact Phyllis at 732-714-1149.**



"Lodge Pub Crawl"

June 16, 2012

1-5 pm

**Will visit Lacey, Bayville, Toms River,
Manasquan, Howell then back to
Point Lodge**

**Call Charlene at 732-312-4557 for
Sign-Up Info**

Cub Scout Pack 3 Welcomes Special Elks Visitor

by Betty Torode

Pack 3 is very grateful for Esquire Amanda Horton's assistance when an anticipated speaker had a scheduling conflict. The cubs, representing 1st Grade through 4th Grade, made progress towards their art related and acting related requirements for rank advancement and elective pursuits because of Amanda's willingness to share her knowledge of theater and set design. The boys learned about Shakespearean theater props and using simple objects to enhance a scene. With their input, Amanda helped them design an original parade banner which can also be used as a backdrop for future den produced puppet shows or pantomime demonstrations. Thank you, Amanda, for your helping hand in helping our Cubs "do their best."

Veterans Committee News

By Nancy DeVito



The Point Pleasant Elks Veterans Committee was joined by Daisy Troop 37 from Howell in putting care packages together for the troops. The girls collected 200 boxes of GS cookies for the troops. The Committee Chairperson told the girls about what the troops request in the care packages and explained they must pack the goodies into plastic bags because of the sand. The girls really enjoyed helping. Thank you Troop 37 for a job well done! Please never forget our troops and thank a Veteran!!

A huge Thanks to Rosemary Tassie and her committee for putting together a cruise to Bermuda and gifting a place on the cruise to Spc. Bryan Palmer and his wife, Donna, who is in the Army Reserves. Bryan just came back from his 3rd deployment from Iraq and Afghanistan. Thank you, Bryan and Donna, for serving. Daughter, Emily, will be waiting for you to come home.



Have you bought your Elk Challenge Coin yet?? Support our Veterans!



On Friday, May 11, 2012, we were invited to enjoy the air show at McGuire ahead of the public show on Saturday, May 12, 2012.



On June 19th we will be treating Air Force to a fishing trip aboard the Ideal. They are looking forward to a well deserved break.

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June 2012



Sun	Mon	Tue Terrific Tuesdays From Noon-4 pm	Wed	Thu Thirsty Thursdays 4-7 pm	Fri	Sat Half-Price Drinks 3-7 pm
					1 Elks Convention in Wildwood Thru June 3rd	2
3	4	5 Lodge Meeting 8 pm	6 NVSC 7 pm	7 Shuffleboard Line Dancing	8	9
10	11 Board of Directors Meeting 7:30 pm	12 Cornhole League 7-10 pm	13 SNCC 7 pm	14 Shuffleboard Line Dancing Flag Day	15	16 Flag Day Ceremony 11 am Pub Crawl 1-5 pm
17 Father's Day	18	19 Lodge Meeting 8 pm	20 NVSC 7 pm First Day of Summer	21 Shuffleboard Line Dancing	22	23 Italian Hot Dog Night
24 Breakfast 9 am-Noon	25 Board of Directors Meeting 7:30 pm	26 Cornhole League 7-10 pm	27 SNCC 7 pm	28 Shuffleboard Line Dancing	29	30



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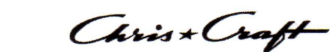
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